## **Executive Document**

## Governor's Executive Order Declaring a State of Emergency in Wasatch County, Utah.

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## EXECUTIVE ORDER

Whereas, beginning on February 16, 1996, the main public safety communications repeater site lost commercial power and became inoperative in Wasatch County, Utah; and

Whereas, the ability for all police, fire, emergency medical, and public works agencies to communicate and dispatch has been disrupted; and

Whereas, critical communications could be disrupted for several days; and

Whereas, immediate action is necessary to alleviate the situation which threatens the safety, health and welfare of the citizens of Wasatch County; and

Whereas, these conditions do create a disaster emergency within the intent of the Disaster Response and Recovery Act of 1981; and

Now, Therefore, I, Michael O. Leavitt, Governor of the State of Utah by virtue of the power vested in me by the constitution and the laws of the State of Utah;

Do Hereby Order That: It is found, determined and declared that a "State of Emergency" exists due to the aforesaid communications disruption in Wasatch County, and such area is declared to be a disaster requiring aid, assistance and relief available pursuant to the provisions of state statutes, and the State Emergency Operations Plan, which is hereby activated.

In Testimony, Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Utah, this 16th day of February 1996.

(State Seal)

Michael O. Leavitt Governor

Attest:

Olene S. Walker Lt. Governor

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